

# Year 3 Newsletter: Summer 2

## Welcome to Summer 2 in Year 3.

We hope you have had a relaxing May break and are ready for the next half-term. **AR books** will continue to come home on a continuous cycle when the previous book is brought back. Please make sure that your child's book is returned at least once a week.

- **PE Days are Friday afternoons.** Children should come in full PE Kit on this day.
- Our **sports day** will take place on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June.**
- Our **year 3 production** will go ahead as planned on **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 18:00 – 19:00.** The children are working really hard on this and we will be performing **'Pirates of The Curry Bean'** for you to come and sit back and enjoy. We appreciate there is a lot of work to be done and due to lines and songs needing to be learnt there will be no weekly homework this term. The children will receive weekly spellings as usual alongside practicing the lyrics to the songs and learning their lines if your child has a speaking role.

**Please see below for a summary of the curriculum for this half-term:**

### In English:

Children will have read to them a story from the year 3 reading spine as part of their whole class read. They will continue to work on their handwriting and spelling. The children will be looking closely this half term at writing a fantasy story and how to write persuasively.

### In Maths:

Children will continue to extend their knowledge of fractions at the start of the term. They will also learn about shape with a specific focus on the properties of shape. They will be expanding their maths vocabulary when describing shapes such as 2D, 3D, polygon and parallel. Children will also learn about statistics this half term and focus on how to read and create graphs accurately.

### In Design and Technology:

The focus for Design and Technology this half term is designing and making a night light. Children will have a design brief to stick to ensure they can follow a design for a specific purpose.

### In PE:

During their PE lessons on a Friday afternoon, children will take part in athletics activities. They will learn a variety of skills within these lessons. They will also build up their teamwork this half term engaging in team activities and games during their PE lessons.

### In PSHE:

Children will focus on their personal strengths and achievements, they will discover what makes them and others unique. They will also focus on managing and re-framing setbacks and how to keep safe in various environments.

### In RE:

Children will build on their prior learning of Sikhism and learn more about how Sikhs can show commitment to God.



### In Science:

Children will be working as scientists to investigate rocks. They will make predictions and carry out experiments into rocks being absorbent and the durability of different kind of rocks. They will also learn about how fossils are formed and what different rocks are made up of.

### In Computing:

This half-term will focus on data collecting and creating branching databases. This type of data is used to classify objects. Children will learn how to identify and remove errors from software this is known as debugging.

### In Music:

Children will continue to learn the beginnings of how to play the ukulele with Blackpool Music Service. Children will listen to Ed Sheeran 'Dancing with my eyes closed'. Children will also learn to sing the song alongside playing it. Children will continue to embed the different chords that we have been focusing on and throughout year 3.



**In Geography:** Children will learn all about mountains. They will look into specific mountain ranges and make comparisons between them. Children will also discover how the temperature changes when you go higher up a mountain. They will explore mountains on a map and learn why it is important to protect mountain environments.

